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Matthew Stephenson Named As THRC Title VI Compliance Director

Matthew Stephenson of Nashville has been named as the Tennessee Human Rights Commission's new Title VI Compliance Director.

In his new role, Stephenson will be responsible for developing policy and providing guidance to ensure the state's present and future compliance with federal Title VI requirements. He will participate in monitoring and coordinating enforcement procedures in the federal and state statutes, rules, regulations, programs, services, and budgetary practices. He will also supervise the preparation of records and reports of Title VI compliance efforts and outcomes for each executive branch department and agency including periodic audits, reviews and evaluations.

Stephenson most recently served as an Employment Regional Coordinator and Investigator/Mediator with the THRC.

He received a B.S. degree from Birmingham-Southern College in Birmingham, AL, where he also received a Distinction in Leadership Studies. He is bilingual in Spanish, and has been trained as a Rule 31 Mediator by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

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